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Marked copy of amended claims, courtesy copy of pending claims and receipt acknowledgment postcard

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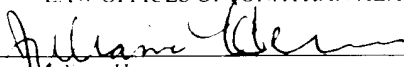


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION  
REQUIREMENT

For: **Methods for Making Character Strings,  
Polynucleotides and Polypeptides Having  
Desired Characteristics**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please reconsider the Restriction Requirement mailed December 7, 2000 in light of the remarks below.

The following documents are submitted herewith:

1. Marked copy of amended claims;
2. Courtesy copy of pending claims;
3. A transmittal sheet; and,
4. A receipt indication postcard.

**AMENDMENTS**

Pursuant to the restriction requirement mailed December 7, 2000, please withdraw claims 47-92, without prejudice to subsequent renewal.